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AN ACT

1 5 PROHIBITING THE UNAUTHORIZED SALE, OWNERSHIP, POSSESSION,  
1 6 OR USE OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL PREEMPTION DEVICES AND PROVIDING  
1 7 A PENALTY.

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1 9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 11 Section 1. Section 321.260, Code 2005, is amended by  
1 12 adding the following new subsection:

1 13 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. a. A person shall not sell, own,  
1 14 possess, or use a traffic signal preemption device except as  
1 15 permitted in connection with the lawful operation of an  
1 16 authorized emergency vehicle as defined in section 321.1 or as  
1 17 otherwise authorized by the jurisdiction owning and operating  
1 18 an official traffic control signal. A person who is convicted  
1 19 of the unauthorized sale, ownership, possession, or use of a  
1 20 traffic signal preemption device is guilty of a simple  
1 21 misdemeanor. In addition to any other penalties, the  
1 22 punishment imposed for a violation under this subsection shall  
1 23 include assessment of a fine of not less than two hundred  
1 24 fifty dollars, and if the violation involves the unauthorized  
1 25 use of a traffic signal preemption device, the person may also  
1 26 be required to complete community service.

1 27 b. For purposes of this subsection, "traffic signal  
1 28 preemption device" means a device that, when activated, is  
1 29 capable of changing an official traffic control signal to  
1 30 green out of sequence.

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